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Clothes and Trousers for Young Men and Boys Smart Set Clothes

41 to 51 East 11th Street New York

March 20, 1916.

Mr. Charles G. Cole, Bennington, Vt.

Dear Sir :-

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Conditions in the clothing industry are such that we feel it our duty to inform you regarding same, although we believe that you are already familiar with them.

Everything that goes into the making of clothing has greatly advanced in price, including labor. On account of the scarcity of woolens, the mills have allotted to each of their customers, a certain amount of goods, the allotment being based on the amount of former purchases.

We were fortunate in having bought a large quantity of stock goods and firmly believe that if the mills deliver our purchases, we will be in a position to take care of the wants of our regular customers, as we shall not solicit any new accounts.

Our salesman will call as usual and we can assure you that your order will receive the same care and attention as heretofore.

Thanking you for past favors, and hoping for a continuance of the same, we remain,

Very truly yours,

H. B. ROSENTHAL-ETTLINGER CO.

WE wish our public to know that all merchandise for next winter, 1917-18, has already been contracted for by us and if mills and manufacturers make their deliveries we will be able to deliver to you worthy clothing without undue advances in prices.

There will be no war prices in this store if we can prevent it, which we have done up to this time.

We now announce to you two absolutely necessary small advances. Standard railroad overalls we must now sell at 55c. Black working hose (the best produced) which we have heretofore sold at two for a quarter. must now be sold at 15c straight.

We trust no other advances on any merchandise will be required during the war. As heretofore promised, we will keep you posted on this matter.

Very truly,

CHAS. G. COLE

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When a Great Scie tist Such as SIR WILLIAM CROUKES :p.aks

all the world is expectant. Of all Sir William Crookes' wonderful discoveries none has brought troyed by fire Wednesday evening. him greater fame or more lasting gratitude the world over than his new spectacle and eyeglass lenses. These lenses can be ground by us to your prescription from a glass which actually retards or absorbs the harmful rays from light, so that the eyes are at 'll times protected.

Are you interested in keeping your eyesight? It can be done the scientific way with the right kind of lenses.

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SHAFTSBURY

William Strong postponed his aucion until March 30th Dr. C. S. Buchanan of Bennington was in town on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hulett and famly spent Sunday in West Shaftsbury. Mrs. Alice Kent of South Shaftsbury spent Sunday at the home of Solomon

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Galusha of Center Shaftsbury wisited at S. Harrington's Sunday.

Chelsea Harrington of Bennington spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Harrington.

Irvin Corlew and family moved into Earl Howard's tenement house in White Creek, N. Y., Monday.

The blacksmith shop belonging to Sheldon Harrington was totally des-March 15. Mr. Harrington had a fire in the shop during the day and it is thought that it caught from the chimney. The shop was one of the oldest buildings in town and had a paint shop attached which contained grain, wagons, lumber and tools, etc. When discovered the fire had made such headway that it was impossible to save the building or the contents.

NORTH HOOSICK

Mrs. Louis Kipp is on the sick list. Mrs. Harry Hagar of North Benningon was a recent visitor in town. Mrs. Newell Masten of Hoosick

Falls visited Mrs. Louis Kipp recently. Mrs. Ladd and granddaughter Bessle Catheart spent Sunday with Mrs. James Cathcart.

Mrs. Agnes Potter of Williamstown spent Saturday as the guest of her sister, Mrs. James Cathcart.

A photograph social was held at the M. E. church Tuesday evening. Supper was served and the mite boxes opened. \$11.60 was realized.

A sleighride party of young people from Buskirks were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Harrington last Tuesday evening. Music was rendered and choice refreshments were served. They returned home in the wee hours of the morning.

This community was shocked last Saturday morning to hear of the sudden death of Mrs. Potter who died of heart trouble at 6.30 a. m. at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Milliman where she has lived for two years, ever since her husband's death. was a woman of lovable disposition day afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. E. G.

WEST SHAFTSBURY

Alice Potter is with Mrs. Russell

Abbie Niles is visiting, her aunt. Mrs. Abbie Potter.

A telephone has been installed at Rollin Mattison's residence. School closed in the Niles district Friday for two weeks' vacation.

Arthur McClair of Sidney, Vt., has begun his work at James Peter's jr. Mr. and Mrs. Newell Bennett visited relatives in Shaftsbury Valley Sunday. Mrs. George Waite of Williamstown was a recent guest of Mrs. L. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dunham were Sunday.

Andrew Niles, who has been con fined to the house is able to be again

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Loomis and Mrs L. M. Loomis spent one day last week at Jesse Dunham's. Miss Margaret Hyde has gone to her home in East Brimfield, Mass., to

spend her vacation. Mr. and Mrs. William Dickenson of Silver Creek are guests of Mr. and gether informally last evening with on-Mrs. Harry Bronson.

Elanche Coulter was a guest of her parents. Nellie Coulter returned to Pittsfield with her Monday to spend her vacation.

ARLINGTON

Edward Conroy is quarantined for

Miss Lillian McAulley, who has had a position in New York during the win ter is at her home here for the sum-

Miss Frances Killion, a teacher in the graded school at North Bennington spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Killion.

Ernest McDaniels, who has been off duty for the past two weeks from the office of the Refg., company on account of illness, began work again Monday. Miss Marie Buck is to give a shower for Miss Pauline Webb on Saturday af

Warning to Dog Owners.

Edward S. Higgins, Sounty Fish and Game Wardon.

BENNINGTON BRIEFS

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly for Busy Readers

Read the Harte Theatre regular ad. Dr. Montmarquet, chiropodist, will be the Coloniel Thursday.

Mrs. L 'th White of Gage street spent Tue y in Troy with friends. Carl Whi who has been visiting his father Ja is White, has returned to Poughkeeps.c.

Robert Taylor has secured a posiion as driver for the Bennington Paper Box company.

Miss Mary McGuire has returned from Shushan after being the guest of ner sister, Mrs. Sarah Merrill. The Y. W. C. will hold a food sale at their rooms over the Banner Office

Mrs. Minnie Levin and son Samuel are in New York where the boy is undergoing treatment in a hospital.

Saturday afternoon from 2 to 5.

Miss Agnes Houran, who has been assisting in the office of Probate Judge E. C. Bennett, is detained at home by

Mrs. P. C. Cornell is spending the week with her daughter, Miss Pauline Cornell at The Academy of the Sacred Heart in Albany. Rev. H. E. Pike of Hoosick Falls

will be the preacher at the Friday evening Lenten services of the St. Peter's church this week. The degree of master mason was conferred on a class of six candidates

at a regular convocation of Mt. Anthony lodge Tuesday evening. The Bennington Ministers' association held a meeting Monday afternoon at which the principal paper was read by Dr. Isaac Jennings of the Old First

The great screen favorite, Cleo Madison in a five-part gripping drama of life, "A Soul Enslaved." Played by a brilliant cast, opera house,

Due to arrive tonight, the Y. M. C. A. social for senior and intermediate members, ladies and friends. There will be something going on for every-

body all of the time. Ethel Clayton and House Peters in "The Great Divide" produced at Grand Canyon, Colorado. Harte Theater tomorrow. Reserved seats now on sale at 15 cents each. Secure your seats

McLean Shakshober, who recently returned from Vermont academy at Saxton's River ill of measles and who has been at the home of his parents, County Clerk and Mrs. J. J. Shakshober, was out of doors for the first time

Tuesday. S. C. Wilson, who recently held an auction on his former farm, the Burden place on the White Creek road, has taken possession of the farm purchased by him in Hoosick known as the Eldred property and is moving his family there this week.

A father and son supper is to be given at the Y. M. C. A. March 29, at which speaking will be by a father and then a son. Souvenirs of the ocsupper. A. J. Pierce, secretary of boys' work in Troy is to be the principal speaker of the evening and the meal will be served under auspices of the Women's auxiliary."

Mr. and Mrs. Collins M. Graves and their four sons are in New York where they will pass the remainder of the week. The younger boys, George and to the city where they were joined by Cebra and William who have a week's vacation from their studies at the

Westminster school at Simsbury, Conn. What Stephen W. Bush motion picture critic says of "The Cheat"-"Features like this one put the whole industry under obligations to the Lasky company. On every conceivable test this picture shows a hundred per cent. Indeed, the feature is of such extraordinary merit as to call for the highest term of praise." It is showing at the Harte theatre today at the regular 5 and 10c admission. Adv.

Notwithstanding the weather that has prevailed for a number of weeks, the waterfowl are beguests of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Loomis ginning to return to their nesting grounds in the far north. A pair of black ducks were seen Tuesday in the swift water of the Hoosac river just south of the Dugway in the town of Pownal. The ducks refused to move even when a trolley car passed over the Bennington and North Adams elec tric road and were observed by a number of passengers.

> A party of a dozen snowshoe enthusiasts, mostly G. M. C. members, got toly an hours notice and had a delightful snowshoe trip with ideal conditions The party left on the 7:45 trolley for Jackson's crossing and hiked from there to the top of Carpenter Hill and home. The condition of the snow for snowshoeing was the best of the season and made easy traveling. Numerous tumbles (which only one or two members of the party escaped) caused continuous amusement and the daring ski stunts of one member created several thrills which helped in making a very enjoyable trip. Practically all of the trip was made by moonlight. The party arrived home at-well-perhaps some would prefer in not being published. Several friends in town of Walter

Hollister, the 16-year-old boy who lost his eyesight from a gun-shot charge last fall have heard from him since his entrance at the Austine Institution for the Blind at Brattleboro. According to young Hollister's letters he is highly pleased with his life at the school. All of his letters home have been written by himself with the aid of ternoon from 2.30 until 5 in honor of mechanical apparatus which teaches her approaching marriage on April 12. raised writing to the pupils, but because Hollister had nearly completed his grammar-school education and is All owners of dogs are warned to an exceptionally bright boy, he has keep their dogs under restraint until made rapid progress in advance of after the snow leaves the ground. On others in the institution of his own account of the deep snow the deer are age. He has already begun to learn a unable to protect themselves from trade and is able to go about without dogs that are permitted to run at large, aid. His letters infer that his first and liked by all who knew her. The Any uncollared dog seen in the woods aversion toward being a pupil at such funeral will be held at the home Tues- is liable to be shot. and he is entering on his new life with interest and enjoyment.

The Men's

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